



Dear Parent/Carer

26th January 2024

**YEAR 9 OPTIONS EVENING
THURSDAY 8th FEBRUARY
5 PM TO 7.15 PM**

On **Thursday 8 February** the school will be holding an Open Evening to present our Key Stage 4 courses. Year 9 students and parents/carers are invited to attend to help inform their choice of options subjects they will take from September 2024.

The evening is an opportunity to look at departmental displays and to talk to subject staff. Students will be encountering some subjects not previously taught at Key Stage 3 and you may welcome this opportunity to find out more about these and the exact GCSE content in other subjects. Department displays and staff will be available from 5.00 p.m. to 7.15 pm. Please allow yourself enough time to visit all the subjects that interest your child either before or after the presentation detailed below.

The presentation in the hall will outline the process of the option system and provide you with a full explanation of the choices students will need to make. Please attend the correct presentation for your son / daughter's house in order to reduce congestion.

PRESENTATIONS IN THE HALL

Year 9 Boot & Nightingale – 5.45 pm
Year 9 Clough & Lawrence – 6.15 pm

In advance of the evening, please take time to have a look at the GCSE Options booklet on the school website. There are also videos covering the different parts of our curriculum model, and further information detailing the full curriculum offer for each subject:

<https://www.kimberleyschool.co.uk/curriculum-overview>

Yours sincerely,

Jonathan Saunders
Assistant Head Teacher



What choices will be made?

Year 9 students will be advised to take either the **Main Option** or the **English Baccalaureate pathway**.

Main Option pathway students will need to make the following choices:

Compulsory choice: Geography or History.

Options choices: Three subjects from the list below, with two reserve choices.

Full English Baccalaureate pathway students will need to make the following choices:

Compulsory choice: Geography or History.

Language choice: French, German or Spanish.

Options choices: Two subjects from the list below, with two reserve choices.

Option Subjects
Art & Design GCSE
Business Studies GCSE
Computing Science GCSE
OCR Cambridge National in Information Technologies
Drama GCSE
D & T Food Preparation and Nutrition GCSE
D & T Graphics GCSE
D & T Resistant Materials GCSE
D & T Textiles GCSE
French GCSE
German GCSE
OCR Cambridge National in Health & Social Care
History GCSE
Media Studies GCSE
Music GCSE
Physical Education GCSE
Religious Studies GCSE
Spanish GCSE
Triple Science GCSE (Biology, Chemistry & Physics)

